

OF  
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 74-21

Introduced by Councilman O'Neill at the request of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 74-9

Date: March 12, 1974

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 219(b) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, as amended), title "Procurement", providing competitive bidding requirements.

By the Council, MARCH 12, 1974

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: APRIL 8, 1974

at: 7:30 P.M.

By Order: Wm. B. Johnston, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and Notice of time and place of hearing and Title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on April 8, 1974 and concluded on April 10, 1974.

1 Section 1. *Be It Enacted by the County Council of Harford County,*  
2 *Maryland,* that Section 219(b) of the Code of Public Local Laws  
3 of Harford County, (1965 Edition, as amended), title "Procurement",  
4 be, and it is hereby, repealed and re-enacted, with amendments,  
5 to read as follows:

6 219. Procurement

7 (b) Competitive Bidding. Any single purchase by or con-  
8 tract with the County of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), or  
9 more, except contracts for professional services customarily  
10 negotiated, shall be made from or let by sealed bids or proposals  
11 publicly opened after public notice for such period or in such  
12 manner as the County Executive or his designee shall determine.  
13 Such purchases or contracts shall be made from or awarded to the  
14 lowest responsible bidder who shall give security or bond for the  
15 performance of his contract as determined by the County Executive  
16 or his designee; provided, however, that no such purchase or  
17 contract shall be made or awarded within a period of one week from  
18 the date of the public openings of bids. Should the award not  
19 be made within ninety (90) days of the public openings of the  
20 bids, all bid bonds and/or bid bond checks shall be returned to  
21 the respective bidders. Should the County award the bid at a  
22 later date, the bidder who then receives the bid shall not be  
23 held liable for any damages should that bidder decline the bid.  
24 In all cases the County shall reserve the right to reject any and  
25 all bids. All construction, maintenance and repair work shall be  
26 subject to the requirements of competitive bidding provided in  
27 this section, unless such work is to be done directly by the  
28 County through the use of its own laboring force. All materials  
29 and supplies used by the County laboring force shall be purchased

1 provided further, the provisions of this article shall not  
2 apply to emergency purchases or contracts, but any and all  
3 purchases or contracts made under these exceptions shall be  
4 specifically reported to the County Council at the time of the  
5 next County Council meeting after such purchases or contracts.  
6 Section 2. *And Be It Further Enacted*, that this Act shall  
7 take effect sixty (60) days from the date it becomes law.  
8 Effective: July 16, 1974  
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The Secretary of the Council does hereby  
certify that fifteen (15) copies of this bill  
are immediately available for distribution to  
the public and the press.

  
Secretary

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BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed LSD 74-15, May 14, 1974 ~~(With Amendments)~~~~Talked of Passage~~

By order

Urogene B. Johnston, SecretarySealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for his  
approval this 16th day of May, 1974 at12:45 o'clock P.M.Urogene B. Johnston, Secretary

BY THE EXECUTIVE

APPROVED:

Charles B. Anderson, Jr.  
 Charles B. Anderson, Jr., County Executive  
 Date May 17, 1974

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and